

District Court – State Assumed Areas

Department Overview

The District Court Fund changed dramatically in FY 2004. When the state assumed the District Court and Juvenile Probation departments. In FY 2006 The State Assumed the Public Defenders Office.

The provisions of state Assumption require county's to provide space for the District Court Department's Number 1, 2 and 3 and for Juvenile Probation. The Public Defenders Office assumption does not require the county to provide space, however the County is required to pay the full cost of termination for employees, ½ of which is funded in FY 07 with the balance funded in FY 08.

The District Court Fund is being eliminated in FY 07. All costs are shown in the General Fund. The amount shown as a Special Revenue is the cash on hand as of June 30, 06, which is being transferred to other funds during FY 07.

The funding in the General Fund tracks the ongoing expenses for Public Defenders termination, District Court and Juvenile Probation space and the reduction in Entitlement associated with state assumption of Public Defenders' in FY 07.

Department Goals

- To provide outstanding, dedicated professional legal assistance to the Public, District Court Judges, attorneys, victims and perpetrator.
 - Provide comprehensive criminal justice system.
 - Continue implementation of the recommendations outlined in Master Plan.
 - Develop a long-term strategy for jail management.
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Recent Accomplishments

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2005	Final FY 2006	Actual FY 2006	Request FY 2007	Preliminary FY 2007	Final FY 2007
Personnel	\$ 480,398	\$ 583,653	580,066	25,571	25,571	25,571
Operations	358,134	339,351	302,891	78,616	78,616	257,439
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	59,016	11,474	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	829,723
Total	\$ 897,548	\$ 934,478	\$ 883,333	\$ 104,187	\$ 104,187	\$ 1,112,733

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 283,010
Special Revenue Funds	897,548	934,478	883,333	104,187	104,187	829,723
Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 897,548	\$ 934,478	\$ 883,333	\$ 104,187	\$ 104,187	\$ 1,112,733

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 411,036	\$ 427,948	\$ 432,227	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 214,510
Non-Tax Revenues	316,087	329,093	296,183	-	-	68,500
Cash Reappropriated	170,426	177,438	154,923	104,187	104,187	829,723
Total	\$ 897,548	\$ 934,478	\$ 883,333	\$ 104,187	\$ 104,187	\$ 1,112,733

Cost shown in Personnel are for accumulated ¼ Sick, and full annual leave for Public Defender employees. This amount will be paid to the state of Montana as required under State Assumption laws.